

DESIGNATION OF SUCCESSOR UNIT OPERATOR, SUBOPERATOR, AND AGENT

According to 30 CFR 250.1301, you, the other lessees, and the unit operator must enter into a Unit Agreement for the MMS Regional Supervisor's approval. The Working Interest Owners of approved MMS Unit Agreements must designate successor unit operators, suboperators, and agents for approval by MMS Regional Supervisor. Designations are not effective until approved by the MMS Regional Supervisor. Submit the following information for consideration.

A. Successor Unit Operator – When a unit operator intends to resign or is removed, submit:

1. Two executed copies of the Designation of Successor Unit Operator from each working interest owner.
2. Notice (letter) from the current unit operator of intent to resign.
3. Letter from designated party accepting the rights and obligations of unit operator.

B. Unit Suboperator – When a party other than the designated unit operator plans to operate a portion of the unit, submit:

1. Two executed copies of the Designation of Unit Suboperator from each working interest owner describing the area involved.
2. Notice (letter) from current unit suboperator of the involved area of intent to resign , if applicable.
3. Letter from the designated party acknowledging the unit suboperator designation.

C. Agent – When a party plans to perform specific work for the unit operator on a portion of a unit, submit:

1. Two executed copies of the Designation of Agent from each working interest owner describing the activity (e.g., drilling a well) and the area involved.
2. Letter from the designated party acknowledging the agent designation.